

Sec. 12. *Answers to criminal charges.* No person shall be put to answer any criminal charge except as hereinafter allowed, but by indictment, presentment, or impeachment. Answers to criminal charges.

Sec. 13. *Right of jury.* No person shall be convicted of any crime but by the unanimous verdict of a jury of good and lawful men in open court. The Legislature may, however, provide other means of trial for petty misdemeanors, with the right of appeal. Right of trial by jury.

Sec. 14. *Excessive bail.* Excessive bail should not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel or unusual punishments inflicted. Excessive bail.

Sec. 15. *General warrants.* General warrants, whereby any officer or messenger may be commanded to search suspected places, without evidence of the act committed, or to seize any person or persons not named, whose offense is not particularly described and supported by evidence, are dangerous to liberty, and ought not to be granted. General warrants.

Sec. 16. *Imprisonment for debt.* There shall be no imprisonment for debt in this State, except in cases of fraud. Imprisonment for debt.

Sec. 17. *No person taken, etc., but by law of the land.* No person ought to be taken, imprisoned, or disseized of his freehold, liberties or privileges, or outlawed or exiled, or in any manner deprived of his life, liberty or property but by the law of the land. No person taken, etc., but by law of the land.

Sec. 18. *Persons restrained of liberty.* Every person restrained of his liberty is entitled to a remedy to inquire into the lawfulness thereof, and to remove the same, if unlawful; and such remedy ought not to be denied or delayed. Persons restrained of liberty.

Sec. 19. *Controversies at law respecting property.* In all controversies at law respecting property, the ancient mode of trial by jury is one of the best securities of the rights of the people, and ought to remain sacred and inviolable. Controversies at law respecting property.

Sec. 20. *Freedom of the press.* The freedom of the press is one of the great bulwarks of liberty, and therefore ought never to be restrained, but every individual shall be held responsible for the abuse of the same. Freedom of the press.

Sec. 21. *Habeas corpus.* The privileges of the writ of *habeas corpus* shall not be suspended. Habeas corpus.

Sec. 22. *Property qualification.* As political rights and privileges are not dependent upon, or modified by, property, therefore no property qualification ought to affect the right to vote or hold office. Property qualification.

Sec. 23. *Representation and taxation.* The people of the State ought not to be taxed, or made subject to the payment of any impost or duty without the consent of themselves, or their representatives in General Assembly, freely given. Representation and taxation.